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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE  
UNITED STATES  
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE  
(DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING  
UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

U.S. APPLICATION NO.  
(if known, sec 37 C.F.R.1.5)  
09/869,796

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.  
PCT/FR00/00011

INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE  
January 5, 2000

PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED  
January 5, 1999

## TITLE OF INVENTION

FUNCTIONALISED POLYNUCLEOTIDE COMPOUND, OPTIONALLY MARKED AND METHOD FOR DETECTING A TARGET NUCLEIC ACID

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US  
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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☐ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☒ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☐ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
4. ☐ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. ☐ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☐ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
6. ☐ A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
7. ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a. ☐ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)).

**Items 11. to 16. below concern other document(s) or information included:**

11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☐ A FIRST preliminary amendment.
- ☐ A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ A substitute specification.
15. ☐ Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.
16. ☒ Other items or information: Response to Notification of Defective Response

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17. <input type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted:  <b>Basic National fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)):</b>  Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO ....\$860.00  International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR1.482) .....\$690.00  No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) but international search fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) .....\$710.00  Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO .....\$1,000.00  International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(2)-(4) .....\$ 100.00  <b>ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =</b>	CALCULATIONS	PTO USE ONLY																																																						
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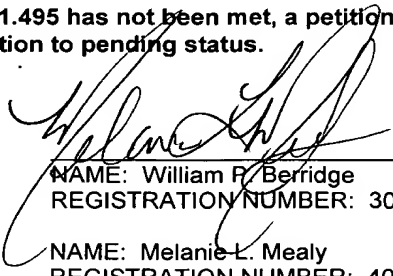
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c. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

**NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.**

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**PATENT APPLICATION**

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In re the Application of

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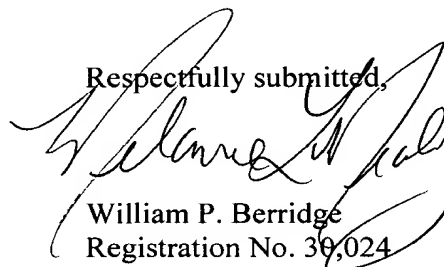
**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE**

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Defective Response - Filing Date Granted (copy attached) mailed on March 8, 2002, it is respectfully submitted that no Sequence Listing is required for the above-identified patent application. In particular, upon review of the specification, there does not appear to be any sequences that are required to be included in a Sequence Listing. Therefore, Patent Office is respectfully requested to withdraw the Notification of Defective Response and to issue a Notification of Acceptance in the above-identified patent application.

Respectfully submitted,



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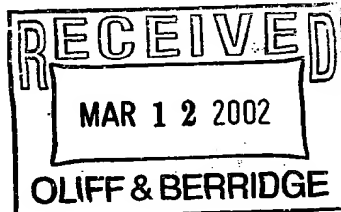
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## NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- U.S. Basic National Fee
- Priority Document
- Assignee Statement
- Biochemical Sequence Listing
- Copy of IPE Report
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Information Disclosure Statements
- Oath or Declaration
- Preliminary Amendments
- Request for Immediate Examination

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 By [Signature] on 3/12 2002  
 By MPK and [Signature] on 3/12 2002  
 Oliff & Berridge

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

Applicant is required to complete the response within a time limit of **ONE MONTH** from the date of this Notification or within the time remaining in the response set forth in the Notification of Missing Requirements, whichever is the longer. No extension of this time limit may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136, but the period for response set in the Notification of Missing Requirements may be extended under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below:

- The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 CFR 1.821-1.825 for the following reason(s):
  - A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37

37 CFR 1.821( ).

- A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has been submitted. The content of the computer readable form, however, does not comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.822 and/or 1.832, as indicated on the attached marked-up copy of the "Raw Sequence Listing."
- APPLICANT MUST PROVIDE:
  - An initial or substitute computer readable form (CRF) of the "Sequence Listing."
  - An initial or substitute paper copy or compact disc of the "Sequence Listing," as well as an amendment directing its entry into the specification.

- For questions regarding compliance to 37 CFR 1.821-1.825 requirements, please contact:

- For Rules Interpretation, call (703) 308-4216
- To Purchase PatentIn Software, call (703) 306-2600
- For PatentIn Software Program Help, call (703) 306-4119 or e-mail at [patin21help@uspto.gov](mailto:patin21help@uspto.gov) or [patin3help@uspto.gov](mailto:patin3help@uspto.gov)
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Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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**PART 1 - ATTORNEY/APPLICANT COPY**

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